

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A content providing area presentation system comprising:  
a user inputting section configured and arranged to request content providing area candidates for presenting at least one of the content providing area candidates to a user  
5 based on a selection criterion; and  
a displaying section configured and arranged to display the at least one of the content providing area candidates in response to the selection criterion established by the user inputting section.
- 10 2. The content providing area presentation system as recited in claim 1, wherein  
the selection criterion of the user inputting section is based on traveling route information.
- 15 3. The content providing area presentation system as recited in claim 1, wherein  
the selection criterion of the user inputting section is based on vehicle information.
- 20 4. The content providing area presentation system as recited in claim 1, wherein  
the selection criterion of the user inputting section is based on time information.
- 25 5. The content providing area presentation system as recited in claim 1, wherein  
the selection criterion of the user inputting section is based on content providing area information related to the content providing area candidates.
- 30 6. The content providing area presentation system as recited in claim 5, wherein  
the content providing area information is parking lot vacancy information.

7. The content providing area presentation system as recited in claim 5,  
wherein

the content providing area information is a processing capacity of a main facility  
installed for the content providing area candidates.

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8. The content providing area presentation system as recited in claim 1,  
wherein

the selection criterion of the user inputting section is based on a distribution  
preparation time for the content at the content providing area candidates.

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9. The content providing area presentation system as recited in claim 1,  
wherein

the selection criterion of the user inputting section is based on a download time for  
the content.

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10. A method of presenting content providing area candidates to a user,  
comprising:

inputting a content request for content providing area candidates for presenting at  
least one of the content providing area candidates to a user based on a selection criterion;

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displaying the at least one of the content providing area candidates in accordance  
with the selection criterion established by the content request.

11. A content providing area presentation system comprising:

25 user selection means for inputting a content request for content providing area  
candidates for presenting at least one of the content providing area candidates to a user  
based on a selection criterion; and

a displaying means for displaying the at least one of the content providing area  
candidates in response to the selection criterion established by the user selection means.